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Mr. Rich Gannon & Mr. Jason Robinson
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Re: Jordan Lake Water Supply Nutrient Strategy

Gentlemen:

In 2005 the City of Raleigh partnered with local land trusts and other local governments to develop the Upper Neuse Clean Water Initiative to prioritize and protect lands critical to help protect drinking water in the river basin, including Falls Lake, Lake Michie, Little River, Lake Holt, Lake Orange, New Hillsborough Lake, Corporation Lake, Lake Ben Johnston, and Lake Rogers.

I understand that the City of Raleigh has committed \$3,000,000 over the next three years to this effort. Raleigh has cost shared the acquisition of conservation easements and fee simple purchases upstream of Falls Lake outside of Wake County.

See www.ctnc.org/7fallslake.htm for more information.

I believe a similar strategy would work well to help protect the many drinking water supplies in the Upper Cape Fear River Basin, including Jordan Lake.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bill Holman
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